"Citizen's Arrest: The Dissent of Penn Jones Jr. in the Assassination of John F. Kennedy"—

Excerpts (Part 2)

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23) The "ST" will go to absurd lengths to influence those non-"ST" government officials whose decisions are important to the success of "ST sponsored programs. Prouty illustrates this point by relating an anecdote in which an "experienced and able" deputy secretary of defense under Robert MaNamara went to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in the early 'sixties to view the Special Forces and Green Berets in their training activities - this at a time when these programs were being greatly accelerated with an eye toward Southeast Asia. The deputy secretary was escorted from classroom to classroom full of foreign and U.S. trainees studying together:

This was a stirring sight to the secretary. He had no way of knowing that as he went from front door to front door a number of students were being hastily shuttled out the back door from classroom to classroom to fill every class he witnessed. The whole scene was polished and fleshed out to a high degree of reality and perfection. /30/

But it is Prouty's broadest statements that are most likely to reinforce Penn Jones's suspicions about the muruer of John Kennedy. Here are two such:

The Secret Team has very close affiliations with elements of power in more than threescore foreign countries and is able when it chooses to topple governments, to create governments, and to influence governments almost anywhere in the free world. Whether or not the Secret Team had anything whatsoever to do with the deaths of Rafael Trujillo, Ngo Dinh Diem, Ngo Dinh Nhu, Dag Hammerskjold, John F. Kennedy, Robert F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, and others may never be revealed, but what is known is that the power of the Team is enhanced by the "cult of the gun" and by its sometimes brutal and always arbitrary anti-Communist flag-waving, even when real Communism has nothing to do with the matter at hand. /31/

For all its fabrication and apparent unreality, especially in this open society, the ST machine does have a central soul or brain... or perhaps...holy spirit. It is the evidence of a form of new religion. It has its secrets. It has its divine and unquestioned rights and obligations. It has self-righteous power over life and death. It does not believe in anything. It is utterly ruthless. Its greatest motivating force and drive is entirely undefined, because it moves by pressure. It It is therefore blind, meaningless,

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senseless. It will do anything in the name of anti-Communism [ellipses in the original]. /32/

Penn Jones works within his own idiom in adressing the subject: "Killin' Kennedy is no big deal. We've been killin' for 20 years. Money is no object. Hell, we're runnin' the show," he dramatizes.

"People don't realize how violently opposed to democracy these S.O.B.'s are. And they spend in the billions.

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